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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated June 1, 2004, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the species of Al/Fe alloy of Group A, and the species of polyorganosilanes (an organic binder) of Group B. Claims 1, 2, 8-11, 16, 17, 19-31, 37-40, 45, 46, 48-50 are generic. In addition, the following claims are entitled to be included in the current prosecution, as being directed to the elected species: claims 12, 14, 41, and 47 (being directed to a generic organic binder); and claims 18 and 43 (being directed to polyorganosilanes binder). When the generic are allowed, other dependent claims should be entitled to be allowed.

Preliminary amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which listing begins on page 2 of this paper.